



## Recommendation for Action

**File #:** 20-3338, **Agenda Item #:** 6.

11/12/2020

### **Posting Language**

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Blastco Texas Inc., for the Slaughter Lane and Capital of Texas Reservoir Improvement project in the amount of \$3,529,494.00 plus a \$352,949.40 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,882,443.40.

[Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 16.02% MBE and 13.76% WBE participation.]

### **Lead Department**

Capital Contracting Office

### **Managing Department**

Austin Water

### **Fiscal Note**

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021 Capital Budget of the Austin Water.

### **Purchasing Language:**

Lowest responsive bid of three bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.

### **For More Information:**

Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or [AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov](mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov) <<mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov>>.

NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749, Garrett Cox, 512-974-9423, or the Project Manager, Ryan Baxter, 512-972-0231.

### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

October 14, 2020 - Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioner Penn recusing and Commissioner Turrieta absent.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

The Austin Water Reservoir Improvement Program is in place to maintain the various reservoirs that help make up the City's public water supply. Each reservoir is included on a rotating schedule that is in place to ensure timely coverage of their respective issues. The Slaughter Lane reservoir was last rehabilitated in 2005.

Slaughter Lane is a six-million-gallon potable water reservoir that will have coating and structural integrity improvements made in addition to addressing various safety, civil, mechanical, and electrical needs. The Capital of Texas reservoir is a ½-million-gallon potable water reservoir that will receive minor coating repairs. This project will specifically complete: the re-coating of the interior and exterior of the tank, replacement of cathodic protection, modification of the access ladders and grating (improving the overall safety of the site),

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rehabilitation of tank chime (an annular, flat metal plate welded to the base of the tank that serves as the interface between the tank's sidewalls and the tank's foundation), and improvements to the tank vents bringing them up to the current City standard.

This item includes one allowance. The allowance of \$4,000 will be used to address security upgrades. An allowance is an amount that is specified and included in the construction contract or specifications for a certain item(s) of work whose details are not yet determined at the time of bidding.

Due to the potential for unanticipated field conditions or adjustments, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project. By authorizing the additional contingency funding, Council is authorizing any change orders within the contingency amount.

There will be no impact to the public as all work will be on City property with no public access.

The contract allows 150 Calendar days for completion of this project. This project has two sites that are located within zip codes 78746 and 78749 (District 8).

Blastco Texas Inc. is located in Channelview, TX.

**Strategic Outcome(s):**

Health and Environment; Safety